



**Sustainability Vocabulary:** Match the words with the definitions below

1. **Sustainable, Sustainability** (adjective, noun)
2. **Environmentally friendly** (adjective)
3. **Green** (adjective)
4. **Climate change** (noun)
5. **Carbon footprint** (noun)
6. **Greenwashing** (noun)

  

- A. The amount of carbon dioxide a country, business or individual is responsible for releasing into the atmosphere.

- B. Describes something which benefits the environment.
- C. When a business pays more attention to promoting itself as environmentally friendly for marketing purposes rather than on actually reducing its impact on the environment.
- D. Something that can be maintained into the future; describes practices that do not harm the environment or cause social problems.
- E. The phenomenon of changes to the climate as a result of global warming caused by the release of carbon dioxide and other greenhouse gasses into the atmosphere.
- F. Describes something that does not harm the environment.

**Using the vocabulary words above, complete the following sentences (remember to use the correct form of the word, e.g. verb conjugation or plural noun)**

1. Considering that the airline industry is responsible for more than 12% of the world's carbon emissions, it was no surprise that Zoom Air was accused of \_\_\_\_\_ when it announced it would no longer be using plastic straws for drinks served on its flights.
2. The government announced a new policy to protect nature reserves. The project will be funded by a \_\_\_\_\_ tax on businesses.
3. The airline industry aims to reduce its \_\_\_\_\_ by 2030 by using a cleaner fuel source.
4. Burning fossil fuels and cutting down trees for paper is simply not \_\_\_\_\_.
5. If nothing is done to combat the effects of \_\_\_\_\_, the sea level will rise flooding coastal cities around the world.
6. I live in an \_\_\_\_\_ building; there are solar panels on the roof that provide all our energy and all our waste is recycled.